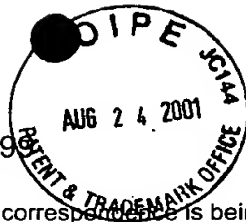


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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.98 copies of the following patents and/or publications are submitted herewith:

German Patent DE 41 23 959 C1 (Nüssel et al.), dated February 4, 1993, pertains to a process for the recovery of preferably previously directly imaged printing forms suitable for offset printing;

German Published, Non-Prosecuted Patent Application DE 41 37 629 A1 (Buschulte), dated May 19, 1993, pertains to a printing press with electrochemically modifiable printing form;

German Published, Non-Prosecuted Patent Application DE 42 16 636 A1 (Göttling), dated November 25, 1993, pertains to a process and device for erasing the ink bearing layer of a printing form imaged by means of a thermotransfer process;

German Published, Non-Prosecuted Patent Application DE 199 45 847 A1 (Hess), dated June 21, 2000, pertains to a printing form and process to modify its wetting features;


European Patent Application EP 0 786 337 A2 (Schuster et al.), dated July 30, 1997, pertains to a process for the imaging of an erasable printing form;

European Patent Application EP 0 911 154 A1 (Koguchi et al.), dated April 28, 1999;

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